

occasion of his official visit to the United States, with the hope that this visit will mark the intensification of friendly, constructive ties between our two great nations.

Agreed to May 23, 1985.

ADJOURNMENT—HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE

May 23, 1985
[H. Con. Res. 155]

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That when the House adjourns on Thursday, May 23, 1985, and that when the Senate adjourns on Friday, May 24, 1985, they stand adjourned until 12 o'clock meridian on Monday, June 3, 1985.

Agreed to May 23, 1985.

CONDOLENCES ON THE DEATH OF PRESIDENT TANCREDO NEVES OF BRAZIL AND BEST WISHES TO PRESIDENT JOSE SARNEY

June 3, 1985
[S. Con. Res. 48]

Whereas, after twenty years of military rule, Brazil returned to democracy with the election of Tancredo Neves;
Whereas tens of millions of Brazilians peacefully and freely voted for candidates of their choice for their nation's highest offices;
Whereas it should be the policy of the United States to support democratic institutions in Latin America and elsewhere and the right to peaceful opposition and basic human rights;
Whereas President-elect Neves courageously devoted his last measure of strength to uniting his country while suffering from a fatal illness;
Whereas the death of President Neves has saddened all Brazilians and well-wishers for Brazil's return to democracy;
Whereas Brazil strengthened its commitment to democratic structures by rapidly and peacefully dealing with the necessary transition of power;
Whereas Vice President Jose Sarney has succeeded President-elect Neves in office and pledges to continue his democratic policies; and
Whereas the Brazilian nation has united to support a calm and expeditious transition: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the Congress of the United States—

- (1) extends its deepest and most sincere condolences to the people of Brazil and to the family of President Neves;
- (2) sends its best wishes to President Jose Sarney for the success of his term in office;
- (3) forwards its congratulations to the people of Brazil for their country's return to democracy and its handling of the presidential succession after the tragic death of President Neves; and